Docket No.: 110-24-003

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### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: David Murray Melrose

Serial No.: 09/689,957

Filed: October 12, 2000

For: A Container Having Pressure Responsive Panels



Examiner: J. C. Merek

Art Unit: 3727

# REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) **TRANSMITTAL**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1.	Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114:	(check items that apply)
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a.	Previously submitted:								
	[	]	Please enter and consider the amendment/reply previously filed on						
	[	]	Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on bu not considered.						
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Express Mail Label No. EV38082413US: I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated below and is addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA, \$2313-1450 on the date below:

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[	]	Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on
[	]	Other

## b. Enclosed are:

- [x] Amendment/Reply.
- [ ] Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).
- [ ] Information Disclosure Statement.
- [ ] Form PTO-1449 with copies of listed reference(s).
- [ ] Other Application Data Sheet.

#### Miscellaneous:

[ ] Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_ months.

## The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended		Previously Paid For		Extra Claims Present		Rate	_	Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):							\$770.00	=	\$770.00
Total Claims:	29	-	86	=	. 0	X	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independents	9	-	15	=	0	X	\$86.00	=	\$0.00
First p	resentation o	f an	y Multiple I	Эере	ndent Claims:	+	\$290.00	=	\$0.00
					CLAIMS	FEI	E TOTAL:	=	\$770.00

<sup>[</sup>x] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

[]	Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$110.00	0	\$0.00		
[]	Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$420.00	-	\$0.00		
[X]	Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$950.00	•	\$950.00		
[]	Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,480.00	•	\$0.00		
[]	Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$2,010.00		\$0.00		
	EXTENSION FEE SU	BTOTAL:		\$950.00		
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	EXTENSION FEE TOTAL					
	CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FE	E TOTAL:	•	\$1,720.00		
[]	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract 1/2	•	\$0.00			
[]	Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R.		\$0.00			
	TC	TAL FEE:		\$1,720.00		

[	]	Please charge Deposit Account No.	 in the amount of \$0.00.	A duplicate
co	ру о	f this transmittal is enclosed.		

- [X] A check in the amount of \$\$1,720.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 11-1580. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 11-1580.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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